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For: COMPOSITIONS OF GROUP II AND/OR GROUP III BASE OILS AND
ALKYLATED FUSED AND/OR POLYFUSED AROMATIC COMPOUNDS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 2, 2008, and further to the Notice of Appeal filed July 2, 2008, applicants file herewith a Request for Continued Examination and associated Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. Applicants also submit herewith the Declaration of Maureen Hunter Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 ("the Hunter Declaration"). Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of both the following amendment and remarks and the Hunter Declaration.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.